

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call

3. Meditation And Pledge Of Allegiance To The Flag

4. Consent Agenda - Approval Of Staff Recommendations

*(Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by *] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)*

5. Approval Of Agenda And Additions

6. Presentations

- o. Oath Of Office – New Greenbelt Police Officer
Acting Chief Tom Kemp will introduce Greenbelt's newest police officer, Rakibur Rahman. Mr. Rakibur Rahman is a transfer police officer from the Town of Edmonston. The oath of office will be administered by the Mayor. (BA)
- o. Cooperative Month Proclamation
The National Cooperative Business Association has designated October as Cooperative Month. Members from more than 29,000 cooperatives nationwide will celebrate the advantages of cooperative membership and recognize the benefits and values cooperatives bring to their members and communities. Representatives from Greenbelt's six cooperatives have been invited to attend tonight's meeting to receive a proclamation announcing the City's support and recognition of cooperative businesses and organizations during this month. (BA)
- o. Adopt-A-Dog Month Proclamation
The American Humane established Adopt-A-Dog Month in October 1981 as an annual event to encourage people to save lives and enhance their own lives by adopting a dog from a shelter or rescue group, as millions of dogs in shelters await adoption every year. (BA)

7. Petitions And Requests

(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules)

8. Minutes Of Council Meetings

9. Administrative Reports

10. *Committee Reports

11. Zoning Re-Write - Neighborhood Conservation Overlay Zone (NCOZ) Letter

Reference: Letter, Zoning Re-Write – Neighborhood Conservation Overlay Zone
Letter, Greenbelt Homes, Inc. to Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning
Commission, August 8, 2016
Letter, Greenbelt Homes, Inc. to Prince George's County Council, October
3, 2017

On September 25, Aileen Kroll and petitioners of "Protect Old Greenbelt" requested that Council send a letter to the Prince George's County Council. Council unanimously voted to send the letter regarding the County Zoning Ordinance Re-Write.

Included in Council's packet is a draft letter to be sent to the Prince George's County Council. Council direction is sought. (BA)

Documents:

[LETTER, ZONING RE-WRITE - NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION OVERLAY ZONE.PDF](#)
[LETTER, GREENBELT HOMES, INC. TO MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION, AUGUST 8, 2016.PDF](#)
[LETTER, GREENBELT HOMES, INC. TO PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY COUNCIL, OCTOBER 3, 2017.PDF](#)

12. 2017 Community Questionnaire

Reference: 2015 Questionnaire
Draft 2017 Questionnaire

At the time of the regular City election, the City issues a questionnaire to solicit the opinion of residents on City services and issues. The questionnaire is placed at the polling locations, published twice in the Greenbelt News Review, and made available on the City's website.

The questionnaire seeks demographic information on the respondent and the respondent's rating of City services. It also solicits opinions on community issues.

Staff has reviewed the proposed questionnaire and new questions have been added to the "Current Questions" section as requested by Council. There is space for an additional question in this section if desired. It is recommended the questionnaire be approved. (DEM)

Documents:

[QUESTIONNAIRE 2015.PDF](#)
[QUESTIONNAIRE 2017 DRAFT 10 6.PDF](#)

13. * Proposed Metrobus Service Changes

Reference: Letter, FY 2018 Proposed Bus Service Changes
Notice of Public Hearing, WMATA
Description of Proposed Changes, WMATA
Memorandum, T. Hruby, 9/6/17

At its regular meeting of September 11, 2017 and the biannual transit work session held on September 27, 2017 the City Council discussed the changes the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) is proposing for Metrobus routes G12 and G14 and to the Greenbelt-BWI Thurgood Marshall Express Line (Route B30). WMATA held a public hearing on the Metrobus changes proposed for Maryland on Tuesday, September 26, 2017.

WMATA is proposing revisions to the G12 and G14 schedules to stagger their departure times at the Greenbelt and New Carrollton Metro Stations, resulting in the elimination of the timed transfer at Roosevelt Center. There are two service change options being proposed for the Greenbelt-BWI Thurgood Marshall Express Line (Route B30). Option 1 would add service to Arundel Mills Mall and Option 2 would add service to Arundel Mills Mall and US 1 (Baltimore Avenue) between Sunnyside Avenue and Fort Meade Road. Option 1 would result in a 10 minute increase in frequency and Option 2 would result in a 30 minute increase.

Staff recommends City Council transmit a letter to the WMATA Board of Directors, explaining its concerns about the impact the proposed changes to the G12 & 14 will have on riders currently using the times transfer, and request that the actions of the Board represent the majority of the comments received by Greenbelt residents during the public hearing process. Staff further recommends the letter convey the City Council's support for Option 1 of the proposed changes to the B30, with clarifying language that it is the City Council's goal that WMATA will work with the Maryland Transit Administration to reinstate seven day express bus service to BWI Thurgood Marshall Airport from Greenbelt Metro Station. (TH)

Documents:

[POSITION LETTER FY 2018 CHANGES.DOCX](#)
[NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, WMATA.PDF](#)
[DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES, WMATA.PDF](#)
[MEMORANDUM, T HRUBY, 090617.PDF](#)

14. Baltimore-Washington Superconducting Maglev Project

Reference: Open House Postcard
 Map of Preliminary Alignments (Spring 2017)
WWW.BWMAGLEV.INFO

In 2016, the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) awarded \$27.8 million to the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) to prepare preliminary engineering and NEPA analysis for a Maglev train between Baltimore, Maryland, and Washington, DC. FRA and MDOT are preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to evaluate the feasibility and potential impacts of constructing and operating a high-speed superconducting magnetic levitation (SCMAGLEV) system. Public meetings/Open Houses are scheduled between October 14 and October 25 to accept public comment. Council received an invitation to a MDOT conference call scheduled for Tuesday, October 10th. More information may be available at that call. Comments are also accepted at www.bwmaglev.info.

Council Member Roberts requested that this item be added to tonight's agenda. A work session with Baltimore Washington Rapid Rail (BWRR), the company hoping to develop the project, is scheduled with for Wednesday, October 11. (DEM)

Documents:

[OPEN HOUSE POSTCARD.PDF](#)
[MAP OF PRELIMINARY ALIGNMENTS.PDF](#)

15. Council Activities

Council will report on activities and events recently attended. (If time allows.)

16. Council Reports

Council will report on meetings and conferences recently attended. (If time allows)

17. MEETINGS

Advisory Board Dinner (CC)	Sun	0/08	5:00 pm
Regular Meeting	Mon.	0/09	8:00 pm
Business Coffee	Wed.	0/11	7:30 am
Work Session – Baltimore-Washington Rapid Rail (CC)	Wed.	0/11	8:00 pm
Work Session – State Highway Administration (SHA) (tentative)	Mon.	0/16	8:00 pm

Work Session – Economic Development (CC)	Wed.	0/18	8:00 pm
Regular Meeting	Mon.	0/23	8:00 pm
Work Session – Four Cities Meeting	Wed.	0/25	7:30 pm
Work Session – Security Camera Referral	Mon.	0/30	7:30 pm
Work Session – WSSC Street Projects for Lakeside-Forestway-Northway-behind Water Tower (tentative) (CC)	Wed.	1/01	8:00 pm
No Meeting	Mon.	1/06	
Work Session – TBD (CC)	Wed.	1/08	8:00 pm
Regular Meeting	Mon.	1/13	8:00 pm
Work Session – TBD (CC)	Wed.	1/15	8:00 pm
Work Session – TBD	Mon.	1/20	8:00 pm
No Meeting	Wed.	1/22	
Regular Meeting	Mon.	1/27	8:00 pm
Work Session – TBD (CC)	Wed.	1/29	8:00 pm